#### MINUTES

# **City Council Meeting**

# Monday, October 15, 2012 - 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order: Mayor Holder welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Opening:** Mayor Pro-tem George offered the opening prayer and Mayor Holder invited everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

### **Roll Call:**

**Members Present:** Mayor Holder presided. Council Members: Bruce Campbell, Rosetta Cody, Scott George, Bessie Kicklighter and Judy Shuman. *Absent:* Don Bethune

**Staff Present:** Brian Johnson, City Manager; Ron Feldner, Deputy City Manager; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Cory Salley, Finance Director; Pam Franklin, HR Director; Scott Allison, PED Director; Ben Brengman, IT Director; David Lyons, Chief of Police; Jimmy Crosby, Fire Chief; Charles Draeger, Water Operations Director; Cliff Ducey, Parks & Recreation Director; Sara Berry, Public Works Administrative Assistant and Benny Googe, Public Works Director. *Absent:* Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council

#### **Informal Public Comment:**

Mr. Patrick Johnson, 4024 Third Street, expressed the following concerns regarding:

- speeding and truck traffic on Third Street
- condemned houses not being torn down in the Rossignol Hill area
- having police officers conduct foot patrol in the Rossignol Hill area
- Garden City needing a Chamber of Commerce for marketing purposes

Ms. Candice Childs and Mr. Benjamin Coleman students made an announcement regarding the Second Annual Groves Day.

Reverend Gary Monore, 46 Hawkinsville Road, expressed concern about the increased industrial development and the possibility of more highway construction in the future.

Mayor Holder said we received no formal requests to address City Council.

# **City Council Minutes:**

Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem George, City Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes dated 9/17/12 and 9/27/12.

### **Staff Reports:**

PED Director presented the Planning & Economic Department's Monthly Status Report. HR Director presented the Human Resources Department's Monthly status Report.

Councilmember Kicklighter asked if the City is currently advertising for the Utility Billing Supervisor positions.

HR Director said no.

IT Director presented the Information Technology Department's Monthly Status Report.

Councilmember Kicklighter asked about the Building Maintenance Officers role during the building repair/renovation projects.

IT Director explained the Building Maintenance Officers' role.

Public Works Director presented the Public Works Department's Monthly Status Report.

Parks & Recreation Director presented the Parks & Recreation Department's Monthly Status Report.

Water Operations Director presented the Water Operations Department's Monthly Status Report.

Fire Chief presented the Fire Department's Monthly Status Report.

Chief of Police presented the Police Department's Monthly Status Report.

Mayor Holder said we have no items for consideration on tonight's agenda.

**Adjournment:** Upon motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Cody, City Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:37 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by Brian Johnson, City Manager Transcribed by Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council Approved by City Council: 11/5/12